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Westside Salmon Announcement 27 Emergency Order 27

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 27 issued Thursday, July 5 at 12:00 p.m.

The Igushik Section only set gillnet fishery will be extended for 25 hours until 10:00 p.m. July 6.

As previously announced, commercial fishing with drift gillnets in the Igushik Section only will open for 6 hours from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. July 5. Commercial fishing with drift gillnets, in the Igushik Section only, will open for 6 hours from 4:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. July 6.

As previously announced, commercial fishing with set gillnets will be allowed in the WRSHA for 5.5 hours from 2:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. July 5. Commercial fishing with drift gillnets will be allowed in the WRSHA for 6 hours from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. July 5.

We have not yet made a decision about fishing the morning tide in the Wood River special harvest area. We are continuing to gather information and may make another announcement today if we decide to fish tomorrow morning. Standby at all regular announcement times.

Daily sockeye salmon escapement into the Wood River was 34,908 and the count at 6:00 a.m. was 8,790, making the cumulative 302,010. Daily king salmon escapement into the Nushagak River was 4,280, making the cumulative 59,892. Daily sockeye salmon escapement into the Nushagak River was 11,239, making the cumulative 166,914. Cumulative Igushik River escapement through 6:00 a.m. is 43,182.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.